

God's Clearest Voice

"The Power Of A Whisper", Part 6 of 7
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"Open my eyes that I may see wonderful things in your law. I am a stranger on earth; do not hide your commands from me."
(Psalm 119:18-19, NIV)

How To Hear God Speak From The Scriptures

1) Look for and listen to biblical __PRINCIPLES TO PRACTICE__.

Ex: "Should I give some of my money away?"

"Wealth is worthless in the day of wrath, but righteousness delivers from death."
(Proverbs 11:4, NIV)

"He who puts up security for another will surely suffer, but whoever refuses to strike hands in pledge is safe."
(Proverbs 11:15, NIV)

"One man gives freely, yet gains even more; another withholds unduly, but comes to poverty. A generous man will prosper; he who refreshes others will himself be refreshed."
(Proverbs 11:24-25, NIV)

"Whoever trusts in his riches will fall, but the righteous will thrive like a green leaf."
(Proverbs 11:28, NIV)

2) Look for and listen to biblical __STORIES TO SIGNIFY__.

Ex: "God is this voice from You? Which way should I go?"

"Now all the Midianites, Amalekites and other eastern peoples joined forces and crossed over the Jordan and camped in the Valley of Jezreel. Then the Spirit of the LORD came upon Gideon, and he blew a trumpet, summoning the Abiezrites to follow him. He sent messengers throughout Manasseh, calling them to arms, and also into Asher, Zebulun and Naphtali, so that they too went up to meet them.

Gideon said to God, 'If you will save Israel by my hand as you have promised—look, I will place a wool fleece on the threshing floor. If there is dew only on the fleece and all the ground is dry, then I will know that you will save Israel by my hand, as you said.' And that is what happened. Gideon rose early the next day; he squeezed the fleece and wrung out the dew—a bowlful of water. Then Gideon said to God, 'Do not be angry with me. Let me make just one more request. Allow me one more test with the fleece. This time make the fleece dry and the ground covered with dew.' That night God did so. Only the fleece was dry; all the ground was covered with dew."
(Judges 6:33-40, NIV)

3) Look for and listen to biblical __TRUTH TO TRANSFER__.

Ex: "Should I marry this person?"

See 1 Corinthians 7 (*marriage vs. singleness*), 1 Corinthians 13 (*the nature of love*), and Ephesians 5 (*what husbands and wives are supposed to do and be*).

"Don't team up with those who are unbelievers... How can light live with darkness?... for we are the temple of the living God."
(2 Corinthians 6:14, 16b, NLT)

"Flee from sexual immorality... your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God... you were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your body."
(1 Corinthians 6:18-20, NIV)

"For example, by law a married woman is bound to her husband as long as he is alive, but if her husband dies, she is released from the law of marriage."
(Romans 7:2, NIV)

4) Look for and listen to biblical __MODELS TO MIMIC__.

Ex: "Who can model the behavior I need direction about?"

"Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me—put it into practice. And the God of peace will be with you... I have learned to be content whatever the circumstances. I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want. I can do everything through him who gives me strength."
(Philippians 4:9, 11b-13, NIV)

"But how is it to your credit if you receive a beating for doing wrong and endure it? But if you suffer for doing good and you endure it, this is commendable before God. To this you were called, because Christ suffered for you, leaving you an example, that you should follow in his steps."
(1 Peter 2:20-21, NIV)

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